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**PLAINTIFF**

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA  
BILLINGS DIVISION**

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**CHRISTOPHER KORTLANDER,**

**Plaintiff,**

**vs.**

**BUREAU OF LAND  
MANAGEMENT, and  
DEPARTMENT OF THE  
INTERIOR, and RYAN ZINKE, in  
his official capacity of Secretary of the  
Interior,**

**Defendants.**

**CV 18-162-BLG-BMM-JTJ**

**STATEMENT OF STIPULATED  
FACTS**

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The Plaintiff having coresponded with Defendant's counsel without resolution does submit the following stipulated facts, pursuant to Local Rule 16.2(b)(3):

1. On or about October 19, 2017, Defendant Bureau of Land Management's Montana State Office ("BLM-MT") received a FOIA request from Plaintiff Christopher Kortlander (Dkt. #1-2). The document speaks for itself.

2. On October 23, 2017, BLM-MT responded to Plaintiff's undated FOIA request (Dkt #1-7). The document speaks for itself.

3. On December 12, 2017, BLM-MT sent Plaintiff a letter (Dkt #1-8) to provide an update on Plaintiff's FOIA request. The document speaks for itself.

4. On May 16, 2018, Plaintiff sent a letter to BLM-MT (Dkt #1-9). In this letter, he stated that the letter was an appeal of the BLM-MT determination or lack thereof. The document speaks for itself.

5. Having received no response to his May 16, 2018 letter, on September 4, 2018, Plaintiff sent a 2<sup>nd</sup> letter to BLM-MT (Dkt. # 1-10) in which he reiterated that this was an appeal of the BLM-MT determination or lack thereof. The document speaks for itself.

6. On September 19, 2018, Defendant Department of the Interior ("DOI") responded by letter (Dkt. 1-4) to Plaintiff's September 4, 2018 letter. DOI advised Plaintiff that it had accepted Plaintiff's request for processing as an appeal.

7. On November 13, 2018, Plaintiff filed this lawsuit.

**DATED** this 17th day of April, 2019.

/s/ Chris Kortlander  
Plaintiff

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the following person by the following means.

1 CM/ECF -- Clerk of Court

/s/ Chris Kortlandeer  
Plaintiff

